

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**CUSTOMER NO. 22927**

Applicants: Walker et al.  
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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEMS FOR ISSUING AND MANAGING  
GIFT CERTIFICATES  
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Examiner: COLBERT, Ella

**RESPONSE to the RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Examiner:

This paper is responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed on January 4, 2008 (Part of PaperNo./Mail Date 20071226), which imposes a Restriction Requirement for the above-identified application. Applicants herein file this response within the shortened statutory period of one month from the mailing date of the Action, and thus no fees are believed to be due.